

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Robert Pierce began recording temperature and precipitation data for the National Weather Service in 1970; and,

*Whereas*, Robert has meticulously maintained his observation site and provided quality data to the National Weather Service and the National Archives for nearly 38 years; and,

*Whereas*, Robert has braved blinding snowstorms, torrential rains, sub-zero temperatures, and extreme winds to provide accurate, timely, and comprehensive observations; and,

*Whereas*, Robert's dedication and attention to detail have significantly contributed to the accuracy of forecasts and the protection of life and property of the great people of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, Robert is this year's recipient of the National Weather Service John Campanius Holm Award, and it is fitting and proper that the Governor recognize and congratulate Robert for his outstanding accomplishments and contributions as a cooperative weather observer:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2008, as

### *ROBERT PIERCE DAY*

in South Dakota.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.



*M. Michael Rounds*  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Teresa J. Bray, Deputy*  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State